

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be reexamined.

The July 20, 2006, Office Action ("Office Action") in the above-identified application stated that Claim 7 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection of 35 U.S.C. § 112, as set forth in the Office Action, and if it included all the limitations of the base claim and the intervening claims without narrowing the scope of the claim. The 35 U.S.C. § 112 objection related to the use of the word "registered" in Claims 2-12. While applicant believes that this word is supported by the specification, in order to obviate this rejection, as suggested in the Office Action, "registered" has been changed to "verified" in Claim 2, the only independent claim in this group of claims that included the word "registered." In addition, without prejudice to the filing of a continuation application, the recitations of Claims 3 and 7 have been added to Claim 2. As a result, Claim 2 is now previously presented dependent Claim 7 in independent form. More specifically, prior to this amendment, Claim 3 depended from Claim 2 and Claim 7 depended from Claim 3. This amendment adds the recitations of Claims 3 and 7 to Claim 2 and cancels Claims 3 and 7, resulting in Claim 2 now being Claim 7 presented in independent form. Since Claim 7 was indicated to be allowable if placed in independent form, applicants respectfully submit that Claim 2 is allowable. In addition, all the remaining claims in this application (4-6 and 9-12) are dependent directly or indirectly from Claim 2. Since Claim 2 is allowable, applicants respectfully submit that these claims are also allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for allowance. Consequently, early and favorable action

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allowing all the remaining claims in this application and passing the application to issue is respectfully solicited.

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